

109TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5596

To provide for a special enrollment period in 2006 for enrollment under the Medicare prescription drug program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 13, 2006

Mr. GILLMOR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Truth In Medicare En-
5 rollment (TIME) Act of 2006”.

1 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD IN 2006 FOR EN-**
2 **ROLLMENT UNDER THE MEDICARE PRE-**
3 **SCRIPTION DRUG PROGRAM.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
5 Human Services shall provide for a special enrollment pe-
6 riod under section 1860D–1(b)(3) of the Social Security
7 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–101(b)(3)) for all part D eligible
8 individuals not enrolled in a prescription drug plan or an
9 MA–PD plan under title XVIII of such Act as of the date
10 of enactment of this Act, which shall begin on such date
11 of enactment and end on November 14, 2006.

12 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE OF ENROLLMENT.—Enroll-
13 ments occurring during the special enrollment period
14 under subsection (a) shall take effect with the first day
15 of the first calendar month following the date on which
16 the enrollment occurs.

17 (c) CONTINUED APPLICATION OF LATE ENROLL-
18 MENT PENALTY.—Nothing in this section shall be con-
19 strued as affecting the application of section 1860D–13(b)
20 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–113(b)), pro-
21 viding for a late enrollment penalty of 1 percent for each
22 uncovered month, and the special enrollment period under
23 subsection (a) shall not be treated as an initial enrollment
24 period for purposes of part C of title XVIII of such Act.

25 (d) CONSTRUCTION.—This section shall not affect
26 any special enrollment periods otherwise established by

- 1 law, regulation, or waiver and any waiver of the late en-
- 2 rollment period referred to in subsection (c) otherwise pro-
- 3 vided by law, regulation, or waiver.

